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SUBJECT: PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF 98TH EXBD

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1. IN ANSWER TO STATE REFTEL, A NEW ITEM CAN BE PROPOSED TO THE AGENDA AT ANY TIME BEFORE OR DURING THE SESSION. RULE 5 REFERS TO ADDING ITEMS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE SESSION. ANY ITEM CAN BE REQUESTED AS PER 5 (2) AND MUST BE ADDED, THERE IS NO DISCRETION. AFTER THE SESSION OPENS AN AGENDA ITEM CAN BE ADDED UNDER RULE 8. THE 30-DAY REQUIREMENT APPLIES ONLY TO DISPATCHING THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA TO MEMBERS, IT DOES NOT MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A MEMBER TO ADD AN ITEM. THUS, WE COULD WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO ADD TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OR DURING THE BOARD MEETING WE COULD ASK FOR A NEW ITEM. HOWEVER, THE KEY IS THAT THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA MUST BE ACCEPTED BY MAJORITY VOTE AND ANY NEW ITEM UNDER RULE 8 MUST BE ACCEPTED BY MAJORITY VOTE. AN ITEM CAN, OF COURSE, BE REJECTED OR DELETED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

2. PARIS REFTEL REFERRED TO NEED FOR EXBD MEMBER TO BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PREPARED TO DEFEND THE PROPOSED ITEM IF IT IS CHALLENG-

ED WHEN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA IS PUT TO VOTE ON THE  
OPENING DAY OF THE MEETING. IT IS A FAVORITE TACTIC  
TO DISPOSE OF AN ITEM BY KEEPING IT OFF OF THE AGENDA  
RATHER THAN A DIRECT ATTACK ON SUBSTANCE. IT IS EN-  
TIRELY POSSIBLE THAT IF WE WAIT UNTIL THE LAST  
MINUTE TO INSCRIBE A NEW ITEM IT MAY BE OBJECTED ON  
GROUNDS OF UNDULY PROLONGING THE EXBD. DEPARTMENT  
SHOULD NOTE THAT THIS BOARD MUST END BY A DATE CERTAIN  
IN ORDER TO FLY TO EGYPT AS GUESTS OF GOE. ALL SUB-  
STANTIVE BUSINESS MUST BE COMPLETED AS ONLY CEREMONIAL  
MATTERS WILL BE HANDLED IN EGYPT. AS THE AGENDA IS  
ALREADY LONG, WE RUN A RISK IF WE WAIT TOO LONG. IT  
WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO COME WITHIN THE 30-DAY DISPATCH  
DATE AND BE ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA WHEN IT IS IN-  
ITIAALLY SENT OUT. IN ANY CASE, EXBD MEMBER MUST BE  
PREPARED TO TACTFULLY EXPLAIN THE PURPOSE OF THE ITEM  
AND ARGUE IN FAVOR OF IT ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE  
MEETING IF IT IS CHALLENGED.

3. AS TO RULE 6, THE "MAY" IS A COVERING CLAUSE IN  
CASE THERE IS NOT TIME TO SUBMIT THE FINAL REVISED  
AGENDA TO MEMBERS. AS MEMBERS RESIDE IN DISTANT PLACES  
IT MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE TO GET THE FINAL REVISED AGENDA  
OUT IN TIME.

4. PERMDEL RECOMMENDS THAT THE DEPARTMENT GIVE EARLY  
CONSIDERATION TO OUR MOVING TO PLACE THE REGIONAL ISSUE  
ON THE AGENDA. WE MIGHT GET THE RESOLUTION UNDER AN  
EXISTING ITEM, BUT THIS IS HIGHLY DOUBTFUL. COOPERA-  
TION OF EXBD CHAIRMAN WYNTER IS ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED  
AND HE SHOULD BE TOLD IN ADVANCE OF OUR INTENTION. HE  
IS ALREADY QUITE AWARE THAT WE HAVE IN MIND PURSUING  
THE AGENDA ITEM, BUT HE SHOULD BE FULLY INFORMED AND  
HIS COUNCIL AND ADVICE SOUGHT BEFORE WE MAKE A FINAL  
MOVE. PERMDEL WOULD STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT  
INVITE WYNTER TO DC AS GUEST OF NATIONAL COMMISSION IN  
AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER, PRIOR TO OPENING OF THE  
BOARD, TO GO OVER TACTICS AND STRATEGY. ONCE WYNTER  
ARRIVES IN PARIS HIS TIME WILL BE FULLY BOOKED AND HE  
WILL NOT BE DISPOSED TO DO ANYTHING THAT MIGHT LOOK  
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LIKE RESPONDING TO US PRESSURES. GIVEN THE SUCCESS OF  
HIS FIRST VISIT, A RETURN TRIP TO DISCUSS THE FALL  
BOARD AND OTHER MATTERS WOULD SEEM APPROPRIATE AND  
MOST HELPFUL.  
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